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Title: Need to increase the frequency of local trains from Kancheepuram to Thirumalapur via Chennai Beach.

SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM (KANCHEEPURAM): Railway is the most important mode of public transport in India, which also helps the Indian Economy.

Kancheepuram Railway Station, which is a part of Chennai Railway Division of Southern Railway Zone, is very close to the local bus stand and the Chennai Airport is at a distance of 72 km. Kancheepuram Railway Station is one of the major routes for local & suburban traffic, as it connects Chennai Beach -Tirumalpur-Sriperumbudur, an important Industrial Hub. Common man is mainly dependant on this.

EMU connectivity to Chennai Beach - Tirumalpur - Central - Sriperumbudur is very poor. Only 9 Local trains are operated daily, starting from 05:40 am to 08: 20 pm; in which five are operated upto Thirumalpur and four upto Chennai Beach. The duration between every EMU is around 1 to 2 hours. This causes heavy inconvenience to the passengers. They have to travel from Kancheepuram to Chengalpat and from Chengalpat to Tambaram and then proceed for their journey.

In this regard, I draw the attention of the Hon'ble Railway Minister, through to look into this issue and instruct the concerned authorities for increasing the frequency of local EMU from Kancheepuram - Chennai Beach - Thirumalpur from 9 to 15 services atleast and the duration between every train be reduced to atleast 30 minutes. This will go a long way in the larger interest of the people of my Constituency.